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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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Eija Marjut Pirhonen, Timo Pohjonen, and)	Examiner:
Jan Nieuwenhuis)	Micah Paul Young
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Serial No.: 10/006,796)	Art Unit: 1615
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Filed: December 4, 2001)	
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Title: BIODEGRADABLE IMPLANT AND)	
METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING ONE)	

Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed July 14, 2003 (Paper No. 6). Kindly reconsider the application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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